Evaluation #

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Wisconsin Alternate Standard Evaluation

Standard

Chapter 4
ICC/ANSI 300 – 2002
[Bleachers, Folding and Telescoping Seating, and Grandstands]

SCOPE OF EVALUATION

The alternative egress provisions found in Chapter 4 of the ICC/ANSI 300-2002 standard have been evaluated for compliance with related means of egress requirements of the current **Wisconsin Commercial Building Code (WCBC)**, **Chapters Comm 61-65.** Included within the evaluation were the definitions found in Chapter 2 of the standard. Pursuant to s. Comm 61.61 the alternate standard and methodology as described below is approved for use in the State of Wisconsin to satisfy the intent of the assembly egress requirements found within **IBC Section 1008 of the Wisconsin Commercial Building Code.**

This evaluation does not include the review for compliance to provisions of the current **Wisconsin Commercial Building Code** (**WCBC**), other than those specifically referenced above.

The use of this alternate standard and methodology is subject to the description, limitations and conditions described in this evaluation.

DESCRIPTION AND USE

IBC Section 1008 of the Wisconsin Commercial Building Code outlines the specific egress requirements for assembly uses. The section includes the minimum egress requirements for all the assembly uses whether inside a building or not.

ICC/ANSI 300 – 2002 is referenced within the assembly egress portion of the International Building Code – 2003 & 2006 editions. The ICC/ANSI standard is specific to bleachers, folding and telescopic seating, and grandstands. In addition, the standard establishes different egress provisions for interior and exterior types of assembly seating. In taking those differing conditions into consideration, the standard provides more accurate exiting requirements, particularly when the seating is not within a building or under a roof that will serve to confine the effects of a fire. It is for that reason the egress portions of the standard may be used in lieu of the corresponding egress provisions of the current code.

LIMITATIONS/CONDITIONS

The use of the egress provisions of the alternative standard are limited to new bleachers, folding and telescoping seating, and grandstands. The definitions found in Chapter 2 of the standard are to be used with the evaluation.

When this alternative standard has been utilized in the design of a project, a statement identifying that use shall be included with the project construction documents, including the Wisconsin Alternative Standard Evaluation number referenced above.

Pursuant to s. Comm 61.61(7), the department may reexamine an approval and issue a revised approval at any time.

This approval will be valid through October 11, 2011, unless modifications are made to the alternate standard and methodology or a re-examination is deemed necessary by the department.

DISCLAIMER

This approval addresses only the specified applications for the alternate standard and does not waive any code requirement not specified in this document.

Approval Date: October 16, 2006.	By:		
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